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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SCALING

NETWORK TRAFFIC MANAGERS

Examiner: Ario Etienne

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MS Petition Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.